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11. Embassy faxed reftel talking points on the EU Draft Commission Decision proposing fire safety standards for electrical cables to Amadeo Teti, Ministry of Productive Activities Director General for International Trade Agreements, on March 31. Subsequent repeated efforts to contact Mr. Teti were unsuccessful, though his secretary confirmed receipt of the talking points. On April 5, EconOff spoke with Stefano Santacroce at the Ministry of Productive Activities' Directorate General of Trade. Santacroce was aware of the draft Commission Decision but did not know the GOI's position on the issue. Post will continue to follow this issue and will report any additional information septel.